

## **Revisions to the Police Conduct Oversight Commission's Preliminary Report *Officer Interactions with Mental Health Issues: A Policy Study***

### **Additional Recommendation: Participate in the Creation of and Support a Co-Responder Pilot Project**

“The PCOC recommends that the MPD work directly with the Commission to develop a co-responder pilot program for implementation in the MPD. Such a program should include multiple mental health professionals, who will work in police precincts and respond alongside officers to mental health related calls. The success of such a program should be measured by any reduction it provides in use of force, injury or death to officers and community members involved, its ability to reduce arrests and increase alternative responses including de-escalating a situation enough that no further action is needed and an individual can stay at their home, hospitalization, connection to other mental health services such as the planned drop-in site and other community mental health care providers, its cost saving ability, the community reaction to the program and any other criteria that the working group, which will be discussed in detail below, comes up with.”

### **Revised Recommendation: Continue to form a Working Group to Consider Additional Supportive Policies and Create a Pilot Program Implementing those Policies**

“Lastly, the PCOC plans to continue to work on gathering a group of experts together to analyze additional supportive policies for police interacting with those experiencing mental health crises. If formed in time, this group can participate in the development of a co-responder pilot program for implementation in the Minneapolis Police Department, monitor that pilot's success, and potentially monitor the full implementation of such a program into MPD operation.”

### **Additional Appendix Document (Appendix 39): United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division: Investigation of the Portland Police Bureau**

Please see attached document.